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If Microsoft can tightly control access to technical information under a court approved plan, or charge fees, and use its monopoly power over the client space to migrate users to proprietary interfaces, it will harm the development of key alternatives, and lead to a less contestable and less competitive platform, with more consumer lock-in, and more consumer harm, as Microsoft continues to hike up its prices for its monopoly products.

The current settlement proposal has numerous holes that will allow Microsoft to continue its monopolistic practices.

Please reconsider the proposal before implementing.

Cordially,

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